

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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PCT/US2005/008920

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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Box II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

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Although claims 19 and 36-38 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the compound/composition. The same comment also applies to claims 30-34 relating to a diagnostic method practised on the human/animal body.
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Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

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